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SUBJECT: OASGA - BIO DATA ON WIFE OF VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTER

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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY NOW ADVISES THAT FOREIGN MINISTER RAMON ESCOVAR SALOM WILL BE ACCOMPANIED TO THE FORTHCOMING OASGA BY HIS WIFE, CARMEN DELIA LEON GARMENDIA DE ESCOVAR SALOM.

2. MRS. ESCOVAR, WHO WAS BORN IN THE PROVINCIAL CITY OF BARQUISIMETO ABOUT 1928, WAS MARRIED TO DR. ESCOVAR IN 1948. SHE LIVED IN BARQUISIMETO UNTIL 1954, WHEN SHE MOVED TO CARACAS. MRS. ESCOVAR HAS A DAUGHTER ELISA, 25, MARRIED AND LIVING IN ENGLAND; A MARRIED SON RAMON, 24; ANOTHER MARRIED DAUGHTER LEONOR, 21; AND A DAUGHTER MARIA GABRIELA, 15. MRS. ESCOVAR IS DARK-HAIRED, PETITE, PLEASANT FACED AND SLIGHTLY STOUT. SHE NORMALLY SHUNS THE COCKTAIL CIRCUIT, AND HER PRINCIPAL INTERESTS ARE BELIEVED TO BE HER FAMILY AND HER HOME. SHE IS NOT BELIEVED TO SPEAK ENGLISH.

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